



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

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Application No.: 09/926,841

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Title: Thin, meshy porous body and method of manufacturing the porous body

**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Introductory Comments

The following amendments and remarks are being submitted pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.111 in response to the Office Action of September 27, 2006 in this RCE application.